THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K.C. BHANU

W.P. No. 22129 of 2005

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Dated: 07.10.2005

Between:-

Vision Gym and Recreation Club Pvt. Ltd.,

Represented by its Director Goka Mahender Reddy.

…Petitioner

And

The Superintendent of Police

and 3 others.

…Respondents.

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Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as well as the learned Government Pleader for Home appearing on behalf of the respondents.

This writ petition is filed seeking direction to the respondents not to interfere/obstruct the petitioner-club premises 1st floor, Pallavi Transport Office complex, near Hanuman Temple, Ramnagar, Adilabad from conducting the card rooms where the members or guests of the petitioner club are allowed to play the game of rummy with stake/syndicate (13 cards game) and also with lawful activities of the petitioner-club.

The grievance of the petitioner is that the respondents are interfering with the lawful activities of the petitioner's club and causing much inconvenience and embarrassment to the esteemed members of the club.

Time and again, this Court categorically held that 13 cards game is a game of skill and the respondents shall not interfere with the playing of 13 cards game. Same is the view taken by in a Division Bench of this Court in twin cities Cinema Cultural Centre (formerly Twin Cities Club) Vs. Commissioner of Police (2002(5) ALT 805 (DB) in Writ Appeal No. 1167 of 2002, dated 29.07.2002.

Therefore, the respondents are directed not to interfere with the lawful activities of the petitioner-club, particularly with the playing of 13 cards game with or without betting. However, the respondents are at liberty to interfere with the unlawful activities, if any, going on in the petitioner-club and to take appropriate action in that regard.

With the above observation and direction, the writ petition is closed, at the stage of admission. However, there shall be no order as to costs.

K. C. BHANU, J

7th October, 2005

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